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Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Jr.
Acting Special Assistant to the
Secretary of State for Research
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Department of State
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

The delay in acknowledging your letter of 5 November 1947, relative to the withdrawal of the Department of State's representation on the Joint Intelligence Committee, was necessitated by the general reorganization resulting from the passage of the National Security Act of 1947.

The Central Intelligence Agency, under the direction of the National Security Council, recognizes its responsibility in the co-ordination of intelligence matters as between the military and non-military agencies of Government.

In view of the above, and at the request of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, we have designated a military representative of this Agency, together with a military assistant, to act as liaison officers with the Intelligence Section of the Joint Intelligence Group, Joint Chiefs of Staff. These representatives will serve as a channel between the Joint Intelligence Group and the Central Intelligence Agency, and will attend those meetings of the Joint Intelligence Committee dealing with intelligence estimates. In this manner we can assure the flow of intelligence material between the Joint Staff and the non-military Government agencies.

Sincerely yours, 25X1

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Rear Admiral, USN
Director of Central Intelligence

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